THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir. Constitutionally, the Government of India are concerned only with roads declared as National Highways or National Expressways. All other roads are the responsibility of the State Government concerned. For Ennore Expressway, State Government of Tamil Nadu is concerned . No. information about dangerous condition of this Expressway has been received by the Ministry.

(b) to (g) Do not arise.

Losses incurred by Cochin Shipyard

440. SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH:
SHRI RAMGOPAL YADAV:

Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Cochin Shipyard have been suffering heavy losses year after year;

(b) if so, the losses incurred by the Cochin Shipyard during the last three years, year wise;

(c) to what extent the losses are attributed to the lack of orders; and

(d) the measures contemplated by Government to minimise the losses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The losses incurred by Cochin Shipyard Ltd. (GSL) during the last 3 years were as follows:—

S. No.	Year	Loss (Rs. Crores)
1	1990-91	20.97
2	1991-92	14.92
3	1992-93	7.95 (provisional)

(c) The losses are not attributable to lack of orders alone, but also due to a combination of the following factors:—

1. cost-price gap.

2. low productivity.

3. Time over-run in completion of ships.

(d) The following measures are under consideration for minimising the losses of CSL and for its revival:—

2. Revision of the prices of the three 86,000 DWT tankers ordered by Shipping Corporation of India (SCI). (Two of these have already been delivered to SCI).

2. Capital restructuring.

3. Revision of the pricing formula of ships built at Indian Yards including CSL.

International ocean transport industry

441. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether if is a fact that international ocean transport industry is drifting into a serious crisis;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and